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TELEGRAMS.

THE TITANIC DISASTER.

RELIEF FUNDS MOUNTING.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, April 25, 6.45 p.m.

The total relief funds now amount to over £200,000. The Mansion House fund alone reaches to £138,000.

RESENTMENT IN LONDON.

London, April 25, 5.5 p.m.
Received, 26, 9.10 a.m.

There is considerable feeling in London about the practically forcible detention of Mr. Ismay and other Titanic passengers, first in New York and then in Washington. Some resentment is felt at the high-handed procedure of the Senatorial committee and numerous questions were asked in that connection at question time in the House of Commons. Mr. Ackland explained that American statutes empowered an enquiry. Nevertheless he understood that the witnesses were appearing voluntarily. Instructions would, no doubt, be sent to Mr. Bryce to protect the Britishers if necessary, but he hoped that it would be unnecessary.

NO NOTICE TAKEN.

London, April 25, 9.40 p.m.
Received, 26, 9.10 a.m.

Baron Muskerry, at the opening of the London branch of the Imperial Merchant Guild, said that the insufficiency of boats on liners had been reported upon to the marine department of the Board of Trade by the advisory committee in 1911. Nothing had been done, however, and no notice had been taken of the report till the news came that the Titanic had struck an iceberg. The department then wrote saying that it agreed to the proposal. But, he might go farther and say that this was an attempt to throw the blame on others.

TELEGRAMS.

THE TITANIC DISASTER.

FRANKFURT'S CAPTAIN REPLIES.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, April 25, 9.5 p.m.
Received, 26, 9.20 a.m.

The Frankfurt has arrived at Bremen. Immediately on arrival the captain replied to the statements of the Titanic's surviving wireless operator, Mr. Bride. He stated that it would have taken eleven hours to have reached the scene through a labyrinth of ice in which the Carpathia, Virginian and Burma were also seeking for survivors.

KATSER ACTS.

Reuter's correspondent at Berlin states that the Kaiser has ordered an immediate and searching investigation with a view to the extension of life-saving appliances on passenger ships and with the object of providing a basis for international regulations.—Reuter.

OLYMPIC FIREMEN

DECLINE.

Bombay, April 25, 7.35 a.m.
Received, 26, 3.5 p.m.

The Olympic was on the point of sailing from Southampton when the firemen filed down the gangway and alleged that the collapsible boats were not seaworthy. They demanded that these boats be replaced by the regulation lifeboats, otherwise they would not sail.

LINER HELP UP.

The White Star manager addressed the men and offered to have a demonstration of the collapsible boats. This the men rejected and unanimously declined to sail. Thereupon the Olympic was towed to Cowes Roads and anchored. She requires over two hundred firemen before she can proceed to New York.—Reuter.

TELEGRAMS.

FIREMEN'S STRIKE.

STEAMERS HELD UP.

[Independent News Agency.
Tokyo, April 26.

The firemen of various steamers in Yokohama have gone on strike. Numbers of steamers were thus held up but a temporary compromise has been arrived at between the strikers and shipowners, and some of the steamers have resumed their voyages. Three of the ringleaders have been arrested.

AN ADVANCE.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha gave each striker Y3 and the agreed to resume. Seamen of the Toyo Kisen Maru and several other shipping companies have also returned to their ships.

REUTER'S VERSION.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]
Bombay, April 26, 9.25 a.m.
Received, 25, 3.15 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Yokohama states that the seamen of the Nippon Yusen, Toyo Kisen and Osaka Shosen companies have struck work. The liners bound for Europe, America, and Shanghai are held up.—Reuter.

TELEGRAMS.

INDIAN LOANS.

A FAILURE.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, April 25, 3.30 p.m.

The failure of the Indian loan, of which the underwriters are saddled with 87%, has been much commented upon. It is variously ascribed to the unfavourable condition of the money market, to the impending heavy realisations consequent upon the Titanic disaster, and to the tendency of investors to seek higher interest and to decline British credit.—Reuter.

THE ADOPTION DANCE.

The adoption dance is one of the ceremonial dances of the Shawnees. This is quite different from any one of the festive dances. They come many miles around and camp; their faces are painted and their persons decorated with beads.

They dance all day and night without eating. A bonfire is built in the centre of the camp and they dance around this. The fire is kept burning about the same all the time. This serves also as their light.

The adoption dance is rather quiet, more so than the other dances. The women do most of the singing, says a writer in the "Red Man," and sing very low. They dance around the circle in twos. Then men dance together in the rear.

The two leaders in front are usually the ones who are adopting the child. They carry tin pans; in these are rubber balls, which bounce and keep time with the drummer. This is all the music they have to dance by. If a large crowd is assembled they may have two or three drums.

At these dances good order is kept. No drunkenness is allowed. The dance is in a grove, and if any one does not behave decently they tie him to a tree for the rest of the dance. After the dance they have a great feast which lasts all day, and visitors, and all others who attend the dance, are invited to partake of the feast.

TELEGRAMS.

MOTOR OUTRAGES.

UGLY SEQUEL.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, April 25, 5.35 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that while deputy-chief-de-lective Jouin and Chief Inspector Colmar were making domiciliary visits in connection with the motor outrages, an anarchist shot and killed Jouin and seriously wounded Colmar. The assailant then escaped. The affair has caused an intense impression.—Reuter.

TELEGRAMS.

CANTON NEWS.

[The "Telegraph" Correspondent.]
Canton, April 25.

Dr. Sun Arrives.

The gunboat Po Pik arrived in Canton yesterday morning with Dr. Sun Yat-sen on board and made fast at the Tai Chee wharf, where the visitor landed. After a short rest he paid a formal visit to the Governor-General, after which he attended a reception held in his honour by military and naval officials and representatives of the various societies.

Newspaper Legislation.—The Governor-General has issued instructions to the effect that all newspapers published in Canton will have to lodge a deposit with the registration authorities on being registered and should any of the publications fail to do so they will be suppressed. Should they still be issued in defiance of the law the editors or those responsible will be punished by imprisonment.

Societies to be Dissolved.—It has come to the knowledge of the Governor-General that many of the new terrorist societies that have recently sprung into existence have been formed simply with the object of allowing their members to wreck their vengeance on their enemies. In his opinion the societies are subversive of the public peace and he has directed the Commissioner of the Police to take steps for their immediate dissolution.

Fighting in Kongmoon.—A serious affair took place yesterday in Kongmoon. Some soldiers who are under the command of Commander Lung Chai-kwong went ashore, from a ship they were on, to make some purchases, and while doing so got into a dispute with the shopkeepers. A fight started and the naval troops had to intervene. In the fighting that ensued between the parties several were killed on both sides.

Chinese Territorials.—Yesterday afternoon General Lung Chai-kwong held a tea party in honour of the newly formed citizen soldiers prior to which he held an inspection of the corps. After tea another inspection was held and addresses were presented to the General by his guests.

TELEGRAMS.

HOME RULE.

THE SECOND READING.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, April, 25, 5.5 p.m.
Received, 26, 9.10 a.m.

Mr. Lloyd George in the House of Commons announced that the second reading of the Home Rule Bill would be taken on April 30 and that six days would then be allocated to the Bill.

A HEATED SCENE.

London, April 25, 6.45 p.m.
The Opposition, in the House of Commons, protested vehemently against allowing only six days for the Home Rule Bill, and there was a heated scene between Mr. Lloyd George and Sir Edward Carson as the result of the protest.—Reuter.

WELSH DISESTABLISHMENT.

London, April 25, 5.5 p.m.
Mr. Lloyd George also announced that the Welsh Disestablishment Bill would be taken on May 13 and that the House would adjourn for the Whitsun recess on May 22.—Reuter.

TELEGRAMS.

HOME FOOTBALL.

CUP WINNERS.

[Service to the "Telegraph."]
Bombay, April 26, 9.25 a.m.
Received, 26, 3.15 p.m.

The English cup final was played at Sheffield, and Barnsley defeated West Bromwich Albion by 1-0 after extra time. The weather was glorious but breezy and there were 45,000 spectators.

At the outset West Bromwich, assisted by the breeze, showed to advantage. Both teams settled down to fast and dashing football. In the second half play was of the give and take order.

Extra time had to be played, and West Bromwich missed an easy chance. Then Barnsley made a desperate effort and scored the only goal of the match.—Reuter.

TELEGRAMS.

CHINA IN TRANSITION.

RUSSIA IN MONGOLIA.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
Bombay, April 26, 7.35 a.m.
Received, 26, 3.5 p.m.

The "Times" correspondent at St. Petersburg states that Russian money is finding its way into the Mongolia Treasury in return for mining and other concessions. WILL CHINA ACCEPT?

The intention of China to send delegates to Mongolia to treat for recognition of China's sovereignty is favourably viewed in official circles. Russia is adhering to her idea that Mongolia should be an autonomous province under Chinese suzerainty. It is believed that China will ultimately accept this formula.—Reuter.

PROCEDURE SETTLED.

[From Chinese Sources.]
Shanghai April 25.

The Cabinet ministers have decided to meet every Monday, Wednesday and Friday and to wait on the President on Thursdays and Saturdays.

PLOT AGAINST THE PRESIDENT.

Tsang Kwong, president of the terrorist body, called the "Iron Blood" has been arrested on a sensational charge. It is alleged that he received a bribe of several tens of thousands of dollars, from Tik Loung a former Tartar-General at Nanking to bring about the assassination of President Yuan Shih-kai. Fortunately the matter became known and Tsang has been arrested and sent to Peking for trial.

NEW BANKS.

The President has announced his intention of establishing banks in China as a means for obtaining money to repay foreign loans. The working of the banks will be open to foreign inspection. THE ASSEMBLY TO MEET.

A meeting of the members of the Assembly will be held at Peking on May 1, and the President has issued a "whip" instructing delegates to hurry to the capital.

LAND TAX COMING.

Among other matters which the President hopes to deal with, this session, is the introduction of a land tax.—"Shat Po."

THE NEW BROOM.

Peking, April 25.
For some reason which is not made public as yet there has been a wholesale suspension of officials in the Ministry of Communications. The action of the President in this matter is causing great alarm in official circles.

TELEGRAMS.

CHINA IN TRANSITION.

DEVOTED TO FINANCE.

[From Chinese Sources.]

Chan Kam-tao, former Minister of Finance has decided not to serve in the new government but has offered to devote his time to the establishment of banks on a basis similar to the Yokohama Specie Bank.—"Sai Kai Kung Yik Po."

PEACE HATH HER VICTORIES.

Nanking, April 25.

The Cantonese troops have brought in from Anhwei 800 starving children who are to be lodged in a home of refuge prepared by Wong Hing. They will be trained in a handicraft in order that in time they may earn their own livings.—"Sai Kai Kung Yik Po."

UNRECOGNISED AGREEMENT.

The Ruttonjee-Cooper Case.

At the Supreme Court this morning Mr. Justice Gompertz in delivering judgment in the Ruttonjee-Cooper principal and interest claim case said this was a claim for the balance of principal and interest on a promissory note by the endorsees of the note. The defence was that no provision had been made for payment of interest in the note or in a collateral or oral agreement. There was no other agreement for the payment of interest, and if there was a collateral or oral agreement it was a bad one and made without consideration. Plaintiff had set off against this two payments already made by way of interest. There was no reason, that he could see, why a man who made a promissory note should not make collateral agreement to pay interest and he thought there would be a good consideration if the defendant did in return for the money or getting the credit, sign a note and also make another contract oral, or in writing, promising to pay interest amounting on the debt. The plaintiff as endorsee of the note had a contract in which he claimed interest. It was purely collateral and had nothing to do with the note at all. The endorsee might claim interest as damages on the amount of the note for which he had the endorsement if he could prove formal demand since the endorsement. Could he do that?

Mr. F. X. D'Almada (for Plaintiff): I don't think he can. His Lordship: In that case I must give judgment for the balance of the principal. The other contract is entirely laid at one side.

Mr. D'Almada: I must bring a fresh action for the interest? His Lordship: Yes I think you may do that up to the time of the endorsement.

Mr. Hind (for defendant): I ask for costs up to the time of the hearing. His Lordship declined.

Mr. D'Almada asked for the balance to be paid into Court. Mr. Hind asked for a stay of execution for a week so that appeal could be considered. Mr. D'Almada said that they had seven days to pay and that notice of appeal would have to be made in that period, so it did not matter. Leave to appeal was granted.

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OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

WHAT THEY THINK.

China Mail.

Britain's Naval Programme.

Mr. Gerard Fiennes, the well-known naval expert, writing in the "Pall Mall Gazette," is rather dubious regarding the "margin of safety" which Mr. Winston Churchill has provided in his newly announced naval programme. He thinks that despite the addition of eight armoured cruisers and twenty destroyers, to be laid down at once, and the big ships of the super-Dreadnought class which are building, or about to be laid down, we shall in 1914-15 come to a time of dangerous weakness. As he points out, "in August of the former year, supposing the German increase is determined upon, that Power will possess 21 Dreadnought ships, while Italy and Austria-Hungary will possess eight between them, making a total of 29. Our own total will be 32, unless the programme of this year is pressed to an early completion. In the following January, subject to the same condition, Germany will have 23, making a total of 31 for the Triple Alliance, while our total will still stand at 32. In April, the Germans will have 24, and the other two Powers very possibly 10, for the Caio Duilio and Andrea Doria, the Italian ships recently laid down, will probably be completed by then. So that, if our new programme is not by then in commission, we shall actually be inferior to the Triple Alliance in Dreadnought ships."

Daily Press

China's Stock of Virtue.

The outlook of Confucianism is described by Mr. Cornaby as that of "conserving the initial stock of virtue, received from Heaven at birth, once for all."—as if to suggest that in this respect it differed immensely from "the stock of virtue" embodied in the Western Scriptures. We can only say that if the Chinese people succeed in fact in "conserving the initial stock of virtue," as embodied in the Confucian classics, and live up to it, there would be no cause to complain of a lack of moral and spiritual force behind the new movement in China. What seems to be chiefly wanting is the effective organisation of these forces, on lines similar to the Christian Missionary propaganda. In recent years a beginning seems to have been made in this direction in certain centres, Hongkong among the number, and the constitution of a Christian Church of China independent of the control of the foreign missionary organisations, will doubtless, if there is any vitality at all in Confucianism, stimulate these efforts at organisation with a view to revivifying the faith of the people in the religion of right conduct which their sages have taught.

South China Morning-Post.

China Appeals to Chinese.

It is probable that a great deal of ink will be expended in heralding the awakening of China, but it is positive that strenuous advocacy of the cause of the reform party will entail publicity. A Hainan paper states that the pillars of the new republic are firm believers in the virtues of printers' ink. That is gratifying news to men who have a firm belief in its efficacy when the ear of the thinking world is to be commanded, as well as the support and sympathies of expansive empire. Commerce is the life blood of a nation. It welds peoples together, it promotes prosperity, and cultivates contentment. The leaders of Chinese thought have realised that the hour has come when industrial development shall be placed as the foremost plank in the new platform. In spite of diplomatic eddies around the financial question, the perspicacious Chinese has grasped the potentialities of commercial development. He has been familiar for many years with the empire's resources. Nature has lavished her gifts among the bestling crags and in wooded glens, but the ban of centuries has fettered every effort made towards the utilisation of natural products.

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WOMEN'S WORLD

[Items of interest to women, notices of forthcoming events, and kindred paragraphs will be cordially welcomed. The co-operation of our lady readers is asked in order to make this feature at once especially interesting and useful.]

WORK FOR WOMEN

It is common knowledge that each year sees an increase in the number of women who go out into the world of work either to earn their livings or for the sake of the employment of their energies, but probably few people realize the magnitude of the extension of woman's sphere.

The ordinary every-day professions have long been recognized as offering opportunities for women workers. But while the sight of a woman at work in a business office fails to arouse surprise in these enlightened days, some interesting facts are given in the 1912 edition of the "Englishwoman's Year Book," which show that the "usual professions for women" have become an elastic term covering a remarkable variety of occupations.

Architecture, for instance, does not at first glance appear to be a popular profession. But quite a number of women have qualified in various branches of the art, and although the Architectural Association of London has declined so far to admit women either as members or pupils, two ladies have been accepted as members of the Royal Institute of British Architects, and another, who applied for admission to the Schools of the Royal Academy did probationary work that is reported to be the best ever sent in by a student.

Again, factory inspecting strikes one as a masculine pursuit, yet a separate branch of the Factory Department has been organized, and Miss A. M. Anderson, as His Majesty's Principal Lady Inspector of Factories, has now under her direction seventeen women inspectors. The zeal of the women inspectors, coupled with the excellent system of organization, enables them to perform a vast amount of work and perceptibly to improve the conditions of labour of others of their sex, and it appears that there is a good opening for women in this direction at salaries ranging from £200 upwards.

Artistic House Decorating.

House decoration hardly seems suitable as a trade for educated women. But it is the art, rather than the trade of interior house decorating and furnishing that has stood for some years as one which women have adopted, in many cases with conspicuous success.

Another item of information that must prove astonishing to many people is that a considerable number of women are employed in the printing trade as compositors. "The work," says the book, "is suitable for girls who are intelligent and careful, and who are able to spell correctly." An apprenticeship of three or four years is essential, but, although a premium must be paid, the apprentice begins to earn small wages after the first few months. Book-collecting and estate management of working-class property is conducted by women in many parts of London and other towns in England and Scotland. It is a work that is spreading every year. There is an increasing demand for women sanitary inspectors; their work has proved satisfactory, and more appointments are being urged and doubtless will be made. There are forty-three women working in this capacity under the Metropolitan Borough Councils, and over ninety in the provinces. Large numbers of women continue to qualify for the appointments, so that there is keen competition when a post is advertised.

HINTS FROM MOROCCO.

Englishmen, by virtue of their sombre clothes, are fond of calling women vain, overlooking the fact that in other periods in England, and in this present day in many other countries, the dress instinct is found quite as strong in men as in women, and sometimes more so. In Morocco the rich women wear embroidered kaftans in exquisite shades, and not only is

the general scheme of the dress artistic, and certainly designed to make the wearer look his host, but it is also furnished with one or two little devices which would pass for feminine vanity in England. Thus the high-class Moor, when making the tea, which is a solemn ceremonial to which he devotes quite as much attention as a man does to a cocktail in this country, turns back the sleeves of his kaftan, and, behold, the bit he turns back is exquisitely embroidered with special regard to these few minutes of the day. Blue-green is a very favourite colour with the high-class Moor. Nobody who notes this, and its effect on his complexion of olive-cream, can doubt that anything but attention to his personal appearance can have inspired it. Indeed, a smart dressmaker might get many hints for success by travelling in Morocco. The outer garment worn by a Moor is of simple construction, but its folds are quite lovely, and its hood is so simple that were this idea adapted to that of the evening cloak for Englishwomen's wear, the hood would solve the difficult question of head-covering on blustery or wet nights for those who do not possess carriages. The women's outer garments are so voluminous that they completely obscure the wearer, but from the men's, both in colour and fold, most successful adaptations might be made.

TO DAY'S RECIPE.

Pileau of Fowl.

Ingredients.—A good-sized plump fowl, 1-2lb. of rice, doz. of butter, two shallots, 1-2oz. of sweet almonds, a few raisins, three or four cloves, an inch of cinnamon, salt and cayenne to taste, one quart of stock.

Method.—Prepare the fowl, put it in the boiling stock, and cook gently for thirty minutes, then take it out. Put the butter into a stewpan, and when hot fry the blanched and shredded almonds, the stoned raisins (which must previously be cut in halves), and the minced shallots. When these are nicely browned strain them and put them aside. Put the rice into the butter and fry it a light brown colour, then strain off the butter, and add the stock to the rice, and cook gradually until tender. Now stir in the seasoning and spices. Lay the fowl in the centre of the rice and cook gently for about forty-five minutes. Serve the bird in the centre of a dish with the rice round, and garnish with the raisins, almonds, and shallots.

LONDON HOSTESSES AND FREAK DANCES.

London hostesses, following the tradition of the land which found its way into the saying "Write a letter to the 'Times,'" are letting newspapers know that they will resist to the utmost any effort to introduce the grizzly bear and other American dances into English ballrooms. The newspapers themselves do not share the fear that these freaks of the waxed floor will gain a foothold here, but one of them says that "though the craze for freak dancing prevalent in America has not yet invaded England the American influence is plainly visible in many English ballrooms, and eccentricities in dancing seem to be gaining favour with a section of the dancing public."

One correspondent has expressed himself indignantly in a letter concerning the new dances. She says:—

"For young men to hold their partners as they do in some of the new steps (if they can be called steps) is what would never have been allowed for an instant in any house when I was a girl. To see them gazing into one another's eyes, as they do, after the style of the apache waltz, seen at variety theatres, is revolting to the sense of what is becoming."

"It is this aspect to which I take exception more than to the ungracefulness of these stupidly named and altogether unnecessary variations of dancing. In no good house in Paris, by the way, are they tolerated. My friend the Marquise de B— said to me lately she could not think what English mothers were made of to allow their girls to participate in such romps."

OUR AGONY COLUMN.

The Tale of a Missing Pig.

Oh where and Oh where is our little pig gone?
The one that we tied to a tree?

On a Hongkong height he has taken his flight,
And sad and forlorn are we.

I have been moved to the above doggerel by the fate of a porcine quadruped, which, in the first blush of early youth, has suddenly and mysteriously been translated from the scenes of childhood's days. Its epitaph—if indeed it needs one—should state that it was an instrument of Fate, which failed in its one great purpose.

Some time ago Hongkong was deeply thrilled by stories of a tiger, which undoubtedly did exist, and which by the losses it inflicted in its nocturnal perambulations, seemed to have a strong preference for pork in the state not prescribed by Charles Lamb. At any rate the prowling of the mysterious striped one aroused the fire of Nimrod in many a manly bosom, and in one quarter at least a burning desire was felt to secure the hide of the midnight thief. If the tiger had only known of the deep laid schemes evolved to compass its destruction, it would not have considered its life as an insurable quantity.

Just about Easter-time, when Cynthia's beams made night lovely, some enthusiastic sports decided to hunt the tiger, and a party with that end in view, was made up to spend a night on the hills, hoping that the dawn would shine on a dead tiger and a proud marksman.

Late one afternoon a party of men armed with guns, machinistoes, whiskey—and a donkey, to bring home the carcass—might have been seen venturing their way inland accompanied by the pig around which the whole event revolves. The pig does not appear to have been consulted in the matter at all, and wily-nilly he had been chosen to make one of the party; and by no means the least important. Arriving at a suitable spot arrangements were made for the night. The "most important member"—the pig—was tethered to a tree, up which the disciples of Nimrod clambered and settled down to pass the night, hoping, of course, that the succulence of the "most important member" would attract the object of the quest.

The moon rose and cast the glamour of her beams on as peaceful a spot as any poet could well wish for. The sighing of the wind in the trees, and the sibilant note of the scissoring scissors added a soft romantic music to the surroundings, and "lulled by the chant, monotonous and deep" of the sonorous bullfrog, the little pig was soon in slumber's chains enfolded. Up the tree, these charms together with the "Balm of Gilead" which the thoughtful hunters had brought with them, produced the same effect, and, as in the tale of the sleeping beauty, all the land lay dormant.

But there is an end to all things—even sleep—and in the course of time the hunters awakened. Their first thought—and naturally so—was of the "most important member" but on casting their eyes around they found—Lo! he had gone! Their only hope had vanished! Not a trace of him was left and I understand the rope and all had gone.

There can be only two explanations. Either the tiger had come like a thief in the night and taken a mean advantage of them all by kidnapping the "most important member"; or piggy, thoroughly disgusted with the whole business—it had come on to rain and rain is always a bad thing to sleep out in—had gone off to do the necessary hunting "on his own hook."

At all events the mighty Nimrod returned to Hongkong minus the pig and minus the tiger.

Enquiries are rife, now, as to the whereabouts of porcine minor and should the above lines come within his ken, he is earnestly implored to return to the bosom of his sorrowing family. All will be forgiven and no questions asked.

B.T.P.—G.

HERE AND THERE.

Rabbits for the Pot.

An exhibition of rabbits has just closed at Hamburg. The object of the exhibition was the encouragement of rabbit culture with a view to providing cheap food for the people. Rabbit culture clubs from North Germany, Belgium and Austria were represented. These care for the interests of 200,000 families which under the supervision of the various clubs keep the rabbits in their houses. Rabbit flesh to the value of \$2,250,000 is consumed in Germany annually.

Women and Pet Ants.

Solomon's exhortation to "go to the ant" is being followed in Paris, where the latest craze among fashionable women is to have an anthoap. In eight out of ten salons a glass case is kept with a colony of ants. By one of those inexplicable freaks of fashion the works of the aged entomologist, J. H. Fabre, have suddenly become widely popular in society, and everyone is interested in the ant and its ways. But, adds the chronicler, there the craze stops. Nobody in society thinks of following out King Solomon's injunction to the end.

By Order of the Courts.

Recently the sales by auction of property seized or that has come into the possession of the authorities of the French courts under various circumstances took place in Paris. It was a heterogeneous collection: Implements of fishing left behind in their flight by river poachers, a wooden leg forgotten by its owner, curiosities of various descriptions, gold coins and medals found in the pockets of housebreakers and not claimed, bicycles, a mortuary crown, a palliase half upon, a piece of ornate furniture, card tables, a roulette machine, croupiers' rakes and armchairs which came from some secret gambling den.

Nesting Boxes for Birds.

The Solborne Society state that it is not yet too late to put up nesting boxes, as the birds which build in holes, with the exception of a few robins, have not seriously begun to nest. A most important point to bear in mind is to see that the boxes harmonise as far as possible with the surroundings, and all newly-exposed wooden surfaces should be stained (say, with burnt umber mixed with beer) or rubbed with mud.

An Ancient Mine.

The Brora mine, which was recently ascertained to be the oldest in Scotland, establishes an interesting link with the world of romance. The credit for initiating the enterprise rests with the lady whom Bothwell divorced in order that he might marry Queen Mary. Undismayed by the result of her first matrimonial venture, Lady Jean Gordon married the Earl of Sutherland. By the death of this nobleman during the minority of their son, the management of the Sutherland estates devolved on the clever Countess. In 1598 the Brora mine was opened to supply fuel for a salt-work. The pans were situated "a little by west the entry of the river," and the salt obtained, we learn from the "Glasgow Herald," "served not only Sutherland and the neighbouring provinces, but also was transported into England and elsewhere."

Millionaire Lord's London House. Lady Howard de Walden's London home, Seaford House, is the largest of the four detached houses built at the corners of Belgrave Square. It was originally known as Seften House, but on passing into the possession of its present owner was renamed after his ancestor, Charles Rose Ellis, whom Canning created Lord Seaford.

One of its most conspicuous features is the magnificent staircase of a peculiar kind of coloured marble. The present Lord Howard de Walden first saw

the stone somewhere in South America, being quite unknown in England. He admired it so greatly that he had the choicest and most beautifully coloured slabs quarried for the staircase as well as some huge pillars for the hall.

The work was enormously expensive, for not only is the stone itself very costly, but it is extremely difficult to quarry in large pieces on account of its brittleness, and the same trouble has to be overcome in its final cutting and polishing. The marble in the pillars and the staircase in Seaford House represents only a small part of that which had to be quarried, and after successful quarrying had to be prepared in order to secure sufficient material for the work. The staircase itself and its elaborate gilt metal work were both designed by Lord Howard de Walden himself.

The Lady and the Garter.

A prominent member of the Government, who much resembles Sir Edward Grey in appearance, has just had an amusing experience. At a public function he was seated next to a vivacious lady whom he did not know. To his surprise she turned to him and said, "I should like to see your garter." He blushing explained that he did not wear garters, whereupon the lady said, "I mean the garter the King gave you the other day." "Ah," he replied, "you have mistaken me for Sir Edward Grey; my garter is yet to come."

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HONGKONG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

HON. MR. POLLOCK CRITICIZES PROCEDURE.

High Words.

At an extraordinary meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce held yesterday afternoon, the Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett was elected a member of the Chamber to the Legislative Council.

The Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett, C.M.G., presided, and there were also present Hon. Mr. O. H. Ross, Messrs. G. Medhurst, G. Frieland, H. A. Sieber, F. H. Armstrong, J. W. C. Bonnar, E. Shelling, N. J. Stubb, G. T. Edkins (committee), Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., Messrs. T. F. Hough, Hadley White, D. E. Donnelly, A. G. Gordon, W. A. Dowling, W. D. Jupp, Wong Leung-him, J. W. Taylor, P. Thomas, A. van Andel, R. D. Harvey, C. S. Gubbay, F. Graham, D. W. Craddock, F. C. McDonald, and Mr. E. A. M. Williams (secretary). The Chairman read a letter from the Colonial Secretary, dated April 2, giving notice of the expiration of the Hon. Mr. Hewett's term of service.

Mr. Pollock's Speech.

Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock said:—Mr. Chairman, and gentlemen, I am sorry I must criticise very strongly the mode of the present nomination for the election of a member to represent the Chamber of Commerce on the Legislative Council. I gather from the letter which the Chairman has just read that so long ago as April 2 the Secretary of the Chamber received a letter from the Colonial Secretary pointing out that a vacancy would shortly occur and that it was desirable therefore that steps should be taken for an election to be held at an early date. Well, gentlemen, no steps were taken upon that letter from the Colonial Secretary between April 2 and April 20. Even on April 20 no notice whatsoever was sent round to any of the members of this Chamber with regard to the impending election, and myself and a number of other gentlemen had the first notice of this intended election this very morning. By this notice which I received I was "heretofore reminded."

Short Notice.

Well, gentlemen, one would naturally suppose from that that it referred to some previous notice sent out to myself and other members, but no such previous notice was sent out. There have been advertisements in the papers, but those advertisements, gentlemen, gave absurdly short notice. The advertisements are dated April 20 and they were apparently sent out to the evening papers only in time to appear in one evening paper that day. I have ascertained that by looking up the files. The notice did not appear in any morning paper until Monday the 22nd, that is to say Monday last, and the absurdity of the notice is this: that it contains among other things the following intimation: "Notice in writing of the nomination of candidates and their proposers and secondors are to be lodged at least 48 hours before the time for the holding of the meeting."

In other words, gentlemen, although no notice had been in any morning paper until the 22nd we were told we ought to send in the notices before 4 p.m. on Tuesday. Now, gentlemen, that reduces the election of a member of this Chamber to a mere farce, and I do not see why the very numerous persons and companies who are members of this Chamber of Commerce, numbering 150, I don't see what excuse there can be for treating them in this fashion.

Free Expression of Views.

The election of a member, a permanent member, for the Chamber of Commerce is an event which takes place only once in six years and one would think at all events that steps would have been taken to give members a reasonable opportunity for exercising this franchise. I must confess that I and other members of this Chamber have very good reason to complain of the treatment which has been accorded to us on the present occasion. I express my views, gentlemen, with all the more freedom inasmuch as I think, as most of us here do, that as a matter of fact, had longer notice been given, the result would in all probability have been the same. I think to say that in all probability Mr. Hewett would have

been, in view of his past services in the Council, the only member nominated. I am bringing the point home, gentlemen, to secure that there shall not be a repetition of any such occurrence again. As a matter of fact out of the six unofficial members of the Legislative Council there are only two members elected by a portion of the community, the member for the Chamber of Commerce and the member representing the Justices of the Peace. I think it is a great pity, there being that franchise, that it should be exercised on such very short and imperfect notice as has been given us to-day.

Hammering the Point.

Well, gentlemen, I am not going to imitate the example of the militants suffragettes at home. I am not going out to hammer the handle of some phony glass windows in Des Vaux Road, but I want to hammer this point home in the minds of the Committee and to express very strongly the hope that in future a more adequate notice will be given, and I would venture to suggest without consideration that at least sixteen days' notice should be given. We are told we have to "send in nominations of members forty-eight hours before the meeting, and if sixteen days' notice is given that will provide what I consider reasonable time, a full fourteen days' notice for members to consider their position. I very earnestly protest against the very short notice which has been given in this case and I hope the Committee will in future see that the members of the Chamber of Commerce have a reasonable opportunity of considering in what way they shall exercise this important franchise.

The Chairman's Reply.

I extremely regret from the remarks made by the hon. member that he appears to think this election has been run in a sort of hole and corner way. It is nothing of the sort. It is only the second time on record since 1884, when the Chamber first had the privilege of electing a member on the Legislative Council, that a re-election has taken place. Mr. Pollock is himself a member of the Legislative Council and he has only just been re-elected as member for the Justices of the Peace. I cannot for one moment conceive of his being in ignorance of the fact that my term of service expires soon after his own. Mr. Pollock was originally elected by the Justices of the Peace. I regret very much having to be rather personal, but Mr. Pollock has been personal, and I draw a parallel between my case and his own. In his case, notice appeared in the "Government Gazette" that his term would expire and nominations were asked. No nominations were sent in and the "Gazette" came out with the statement that Mr. Pollock had been appointed.

Hon. Mr. Pollock.—Not in the least.

Procedure of the Committee. The Chairman.—It is quite true that our letter from the Colonial Secretary was dated the 2nd April. I circulated it to the committee and asked the Secretary to look up the records of the previous election. This all took time, and the matter could not come up until the next meeting of the Committee. Mr. Pollock has been a member of the Committee ex-officio and therefore he must be perfectly well aware of the procedure of the Committee. It is extremely onerous and it requires constant time and attention over and above our regular work. Unfortunately that meeting was called for a certain date, but it was found that something else occurred on the same day and the meeting had to be postponed, but we have legally complied with the rules and regulations. We gave five days' notice by advertisement in the papers of the expiration of my service and the appointment of a new member. The rules and regulations of the Chamber are very explicit "either by notice or by advertisement." It has not been customary to send out notices of this sort except as reminders, the notice in the newspapers being considered sufficient. I am assured that Mr. Pollock should have taken this point that there was insufficient notice. From Monday morning there were two days in which members, if they wished, could have furnished the names of any candidates. I do not suppose there are many people

paning for the very onerous trying, and dull duties that fall to a number of the Legislative Council. I presume if Mr. Pollock had had another person in his mind the whole thing would have been arranged in a few minutes.

No Want of Courtesy.

I maintain that 30 hours was ample. I want to disabuse your minds, gentlemen, that there has been anything done lacking in respect and courtesy to the members of this Chamber. There has not; Mr. Pollock asked for sixteen days' notice. The regulations say forty-eight hours, and if Mr. Pollock wishes to have that time extended it will be necessary for him to bring forward a resolution at the next annual meeting and have the rules of the Chamber altered. We have strictly complied with the rules of this Chamber. We did not intend to show any disrespect to members of this Chamber. If I thought that was so I would immediately resign my position—even if I am re-elected this afternoon and stand for another ballot, I do not think that is so raised afterwards.

Mr. Pollock's Reply.

Hon. Mr. Pollock.—May I rise to correct certain wrong impressions which have been given by your speech. In the first place I should like to ask you whether the notice prescribed by the rules is five days.

The Chairman.—Certainly.

Hon. Mr. Pollock.—Because if so, it is quite clear that five days' notice was not given. The notice is dated the 20th April. It only appeared in one of the evening papers, and that paper was published, I suppose, about five o'clock. That would not be five days' notice. With regard to forty-eight hours I never attempted to suggest anything so ridiculous as that instead of that notice being forty-eight hours it should be sixteen days. What I am suggesting is that people who are privileged to exercise this franchise should be notified by the Secretary at least 14 days before. Now, sir, you have attempted to draw a comparison between the notice given in the case of my election and your own. That comparison entirely fails, because as a matter of fact every Justice of the Peace had sent out to him something like three weeks before my election, a notice of the intention to hold an election together with forms for proposing and seconding candidates. Now there can possibly be any parallel between that and the present case? I fail to see. With regard to the Chairman considering my remarks in a personal way, I must say that I had not the slightest intention to be personal, I did not intend to criticise the action of the Committee in giving such short notice, and I contend that I was fully justified in that criticism.

The nomination of the Hon. Mr. Hewett, proposed by Mr. Stubb, and seconded by the Hon. Mr. O. H. Ross, was carried unanimously. The Chairman thanked the members for the honour they had done him, and assured them that he would do his best for the Chamber and the colony generally during his term of office, as he had during the past six years. He regretted to tell them that he would have to leave the colony almost immediately, and it would be necessary for another meeting to be held in order to elect a locum tenens.

WHAT DID LIKIN MEAN?

Solicitor who is at a Loss.

At the Supreme Court to-day before Mr. Justice Gompertz, a suit was brought by the Ghee Wo firm against The Tong Fat firm for \$440.87 cost of transshipping opium into China.

Mr. F. X. D'Almada e Castro appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. Bulmer Johnson for the defendants.

Mr. Johnson asked for pleadings. He could not understand the case, as he could not make out what the charge for likin meant. It was essentially a case for pleadings on the people concerned were in China. It was absurd to think that likin could be claimed in Hongkong.

Mr. D'Almada.—The defendant asked us to pay the likin duty and to transmit the opium into China. They purchased the opium from us and asked us to pay the likin and other charges. His Lordship ordered pleadings.

LOCAL SPORT.

LAWN TENNIS.

H. Hancock is the first to reach the final of the Championship Singles in the promoted by the Hongkong Cricket Club. In the semi-final he defeated S. E. Green, 6-2, 6-3, 0-6, 7-5. In the other semi-final, H. A. Nisbet will have as opponent either R. F. Stone or Capt. C. A. James, 120th Bal. The winning finalist plays Capt. Day, champion in 1910 and 1911.

H. R. Phillips and H. A. Nisbet (two 30) have reached the final of the Doubles Handicap (A class) defeating E. R. Hallifax and A. R. Sutherland (ser.) in the fourth round (semi-final), 6-4, 8-6. The other semi-finalists were O. E. Elborough (owe 15) and Lt.-Col. H. D. Stapole, A.P.D., and Capt. F. J. Bowen, R. A. (owe 1/3).

In the Professional Pairs the semi-finalists are H. D. Phillips and H. A. Nisbet; Capt. J. T. Brierley, R. A., and Capt. C. A. James, 120th Bal.; R. Hancock and R. D. Stewart; and Capt. R. D. Crawford, R. A., and Capt. M. F. Day, K.O.Y.L.I.

Challenge Accepted.

As the result of a challenge an interesting match is to take place to-morrow afternoon. Capt. Cayley, of H.M.S. Minotaur, and Capt. Hunt, of H.M.S. Kent, having declared themselves ready to meet any two Colonials in Hongkong, the challenge has been taken up by Lt.-Col. H. D. Stapole, A.P.D., and Lt.-Col. Hamilton. The original intention was to play on the Hongkong Cricket Club ground, but we understand that by the invitation of the Acting Governor (the Hon. Mr. Claude Severn) the game will take place at Government House.

A BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.

There were a good attendance at the Mechanics Institute, last night, to witness the game between A. Ritchie and S. Musso for the billiard championship of the Institution. From Ritchie's opening safety miss, Musso got the balls going and aggregated eighteen before coming to grief. Musso throughout the early stages of the game repeatedly added points to his lead whilst Ritchie paid a succession of barren visits to the table. The scores then were Musso 190 Ritchie 111. Eventually Ritchie got down to his business and commenced to rapidly make up the leeway. Both players stood at levels at 228. Ritchie then lived on the proceedings with a neatness compiled 42. This break gave him a dangerous lead with only 132 to get. Musso played consistent billiards but could not string together anything beyond 22. Ritchie did not allow his lead to affect the carefulness of his play and making good use of his visits to the table eventually ran to his point 56 in front of Musso. The scores were 500 Musso 441.

Ritchie's best breaks were 20, 10, 23, 18, 42.

Musso's notable compilations were 18, 12, 15, 10, 22.

The trophy, a very fine cup, was presented by Mr. von Reigen.

Mr. Ritchie defeated Mr. McCubbin in the semi-final last week.

A GOOD PROGRAMME.

Farewell Concert to Mrs. Gordon.

In connection with the farewell concert to Mrs. Gordon to be given on the 1st May, the promoters expect the following ladies and gentlemen to perform:—

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Stephen Adams.
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Mrs. Schofield Duet
Mr. H. I. Jones "I was Summer Garden"
Hermann Lohr.
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SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE.	BOMBAY MARU, Capt. T. Naguchi, T. 5,000 COLOMBO MARU, Capt. Y. Kan shun, T. 5,000	WEDNESDAY, 8th May. WEDNESDAY, 22nd May.
Kobe & YOKOHAMA.	IYO MARU, Capt. R. Takeda, T. 7,000 HIRANO MARU, Capt. H. Fumori, T. 6,000 TOSA MARU, Capt. T. Sato, T. 6,000	THURSDAY, 9th May. SATURDAY, 23rd May. MONDAY, 22nd April.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.	HAKATA MARU, Capt. Y. Nomura, T. 7,000 KAWACHI MARU, Capt. A. Christiansen, T. 7,000	MONDAY, 13th May. MONDAY, 27th May.
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MANILA, Cebu & ILOILO	"TAMING" ... 30th " 4 p.m.	
SWATOW, AYOY & SHAI	"HUNAN" ... 1st May 4 p.m.	
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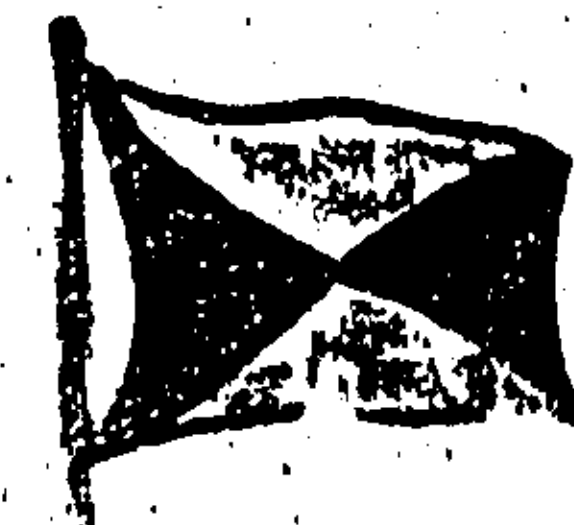
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Steamer Tons Captain Date of sailing

S.S. "Chiyo Maru"	21,000	W. W. Green	May 7th, Noon.
S.S. "Nippon Maru"	17,500	A. G. Stevens	May 23th, Noon.
S.S. "Tenyo Maru"	21,000	E. Bent	June 4th, Noon.
S.S. "Shinyo Maru"	21,000	E. S. Smith	June 25th, Noon.

These steamers are equipped with Turbine Engines and Triple Sorens. All steamers carry Japanese Government wireless telegraph and post office.

The triple screw steamer "Chiyo Maru" will be despatched for San Francisco via KEEILUNG, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, SHIMIZU, YOKOHAMA & HONOLULU on THURSDAY, the 7th May, at Noon.

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Kiyo Maru	17,500	Saturday, Aug. 6, Noon
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LOG BOOK.

Lost Liners.

In an article on "Lost Liners" in "Chambers's Journal," Mr. Joseph Horner recalls the number of vessels which have from time to time disappeared mysteriously, leaving not a single survivor to tell the story.

In the North Atlantic service alone, between 1841 and 1890, no fewer than twenty-four big steamers were totally blotted

out of human knowledge, together with their crews and passengers, numbering 1,453.

The President, with 136 souls on board, was the first of these to be lost for ever in 1841.

The City of Glasgow disappeared in 1854 without leaving a trace, and she had 480 souls on board.

In 1856 the Pacific, with a living freight of 240, sailed from Liverpool in June, and was never more heard of.

The Tempest, with 150 souls, mysteriously disappeared in 1859.

The City of Boston, with 170 persons, vanished in 1870. The Huronian, an Allan liner, disappeared in 1902; and the British gunboat, Condor, was lost in the Pacific in 1901.

In 1891 a cattle-steamer, the Naronic, with seventy-seven hands, was lost.

As to the possible cause of the catastrophes, it is only possible to surmise capsizing; damage from within, such as explosion, breakdown of machinery, or fire; or damage from without, such as collision with an iceberg or with a derelict hulk, have all been suggested to explain the losses of vessels.

The Captain capsized, and hundreds of lives were lost, and it is now generally assumed that the Waratah capsized by reason of top-heaviness. As to damage to machinery, we have the case of the City of Paris, which had a big smash in one of her engine-rooms in 1890.

She was near the Irish coast, but though both engine-rooms were filled with water in ten minutes, she was kept afloat owing to her watertight compartments for three days till help came to tow her into Queenstown.

In the case of a fire, everything, probably, would be consumed to the water's edge, and if this happened far from land, the chances of rescue would be remote.

Heavy weather and tidal waves with the older vessels, at any rate, were probably other reasons for shipwreck.

Red Sea Lights.

It is not surprising that ship-owners should object strongly to the laying of light dues by the Ports for Red Sea lights which have been put out owing to the exigencies of the war.

The representatives of various maritime Powers at Constantinople have urged the inquiry of this arrangement on the Turkish Government, and Sir Edward Grey has undertaken to press the point.

In reply to a question in the House of Commons the Foreign Secretary stated that there are in all 27 lights in the Red Sea.

The number of main navigational lights—excluding those in the Gulf of Suez, which are Egyptian—is six, and of these two, which also are Egyptian, have not been extinguished.

The remaining four, which are Turkish, were put out soon after the opening of hostilities. One is situated at Mokha on the Arabian coast, and the other three are on the islands of Abu Ail, Zabayar, and Jebel Teir, respectively.

The three islands are all nearer to the Arabian than to the African coast; the most distant from the former being 47 miles away.

The obvious solution of the problem lies in the neutralization of all the lights, but when an arrangement to that end was proposed at the beginning of the war, the Porte intimated that it could not accept the proposal.

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Poktulum	\$,000.00	\$,000.00
Wong-nai-chung	\$,575.00	\$,575.00

	1915	1916
Consumption	113,777,000	123,767,000 gallons
Estimated		
Population	111,210	110,519
Consumption per head per day	17.3	15.6

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KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL	
1918	1919
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir	Below overflow
STORAGE GALLONS	
1918	1919
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir	251,260,000
	251,260,000

Consumption.....	12,000,000	12,000,000 gals.
Estimated popula- tion.....	91,100	90,000
Consumption per head per day...	1.0	1.0 gal.

The Government Analyst reports show that water is of excellent quality.

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KOLKATA, CHATRAM,
West Bengal.

FAR EASTERN NAVAL SQUADRONS.

BRITISH.					
Name	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.	Commander
Alcority	Despatch-boat	1,700	4	2,000	Comdr. A. Lowndes
Astoria	2nd class cruiser	4,381	10	7,000	Captain E. B. Kiddle
Atlas	Admiralty tug	615	—	1,400	—
Bramble	Gunboat	710	—	900	Com. B. G. Washington
B. Iomart	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt. Com. J. M. Barker
Cadmus	British sloop	1,070	—	1,400	Capt. H. Lynes
Cadmus	2nd class cruiser	4,380	10	7,000	Capt. J. E. Drummond
Churub	Water tank and tug	390	—	340	Master W. Smith
Clio	British sloop	1,970	—	1,400	Comdr. H. R. Vesale
Fame	Torpedo-boat destroyer	340	6	5,700	Lt. Com. H. S. Monroe
Flora	2nd class cruiser	4,350	10	7,000	Capt. O. F. Corbett M.V.O.
Haudy	Torpedo-boat destroyer	295	6	4,000	Lt. Com. E. R. Rosoman
Janus	Torpedo-boat destroyer	320	6	3,900	Lt. Comdr. Maxwell
Kont	Armoured cruiser	9,800	14	22,000	Capt. Allen T. Hunt
Kinsha	River gunboat	616	—	1,200	Lt. Com. H. Marryat
Morlin	Surveying ship	1,070	0	1,400	Capt. F. C. G. Pasco
Minotaur	Armoured cruiser	14,000	—	27,000	Capt. G. G. Cayley
Moonbath	Armoured cruiser	9,800	—	22,000	Capt. L. E. Power, M.V.O.
Moorhous	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt. Comdr. G. P. Leith
Newcastle	2nd class cruiser	4,800	—	22,000	Capt. G. P. E. Hunt D.S.O.
Nightingale	River gunboat	85	—	240	Lt. Comdr. M. Murray
Otter	Torpedo-boat	385	6	3,300	Comdr. Lambie
Pegasus	Protected cruiser	2,135	—	5,000	Comdr. F. H. Mitchell
Prometheus	3rd class cruiser	2,135	—	5,000	Comdr. P. H. Warleigh
Ribble	T.B.D.	500	6	7,500	Lt. Com. E. J. G. Mackinnon
Robin	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Comdr. J. S. Tyndall
Rosario	Depotship for submarines	980	—	1,400	Lt. Comdr. N. E. Archdale
Sandpiper	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Com. E. J. J. Touthby
Suipie	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Comdr. E. J. J. Touthby
Taku	Torpedo boat destroyer	305	—	6,000	Lt. Comdr. R. Brickenden
Tamar	Receiving ship	4,050	6	—	Comdr. Eyres
Teal	River gunboat	180	2	800	Com. Hon. Guy Stopford
Thistle	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt. Com. M. Baillie Hamilton
Ulk	T.B.D.	500	—	7,500	Lt. Comdr. B. W. Blunt
Virago	Torpedo-boat destroyer	300	6	6,300	Lt. Com. H. D. Adair-Hall
Waterwitch	Surveying ship	500	—	57,000	Lt. Com. E. T. Chambers
Wallow	T.B.D.	500	—	57,000	Lt. Com. G. B. Hartford
Whiting	Torpedo-boat destroyer	300	5	5,900	Lt. Com. G. B. Hartford
Widgeon	Gunboat	105	2	800	Comdr. M. H. Wilding
Woodcock	Gunboat	150	2	550	Lt. Com. M. B. Blackwood
Woodlark	Gunboat	150	2	550	Lt. Com. R. G. F. Mulock
* Flagship of Admiral Sir A. L. Wills, K.C.B., C.V.O., C.M.G.					
Submarines:—					
No. 30	Lt. Comdr. Godfrey Herbert				
No. 37	Lt. Comdr. A. A. L. Fenner				
No. 38	Lt. Comdr. J. R. A. Codrington				
T.B. 035	Lt. Comdr. Woodward	West River.			
T.B. 036	Lt. Comdr. Davies	West River.			
T.B. 037	Lt. Comdr. Nicol	West River.			
T.B. 038	Lt. Comdr. Seymour	West River.			

AMERICAN.					
Name	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.	Commander
Adder	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign J. M. Murray
Albatross	Protected cruiser	3,430	17	7,000	Com. C. S. Williams
Bainbridge	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Ensign E. S. Root
Barr	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	En. Robt. W. Cabanis
Calico	Gunboat	243	8	250	Com. John D. McDonald
Chambers	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Ensign L. N. McNair
Chittanoga	Protected cruiser	3,100	10	4,700	Com. John D. McDonald
Cleveland	Protected cruiser	3,100	10	4,700	Com. Hugh Rodman
Dale	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Ensign F. J. Fletcher
DeSatur	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	8	—	Ensign O. S. Graves
El Chico	Gunboat	1,397	18	1,800	Lt. Com. W. D. Brotherton
Holena	Gunboat	—	—	—	Com. R. O. Bitter
Juinos	Gunboat	—	—	—	Lt. J. W. Schoenfeld
Minidoro	Gunboat	170	5	—	Lt. C. A. Woodruff
Mogasin	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign E. D. Whorier
Mohican	Station ship	1,900	—	5,244	Ensign Robt. V. Lowe
Monadnock	—	—	—	—	—
Montoro	Monitor	4,084	4	5,200	Com. H. A. Bingham
New Orleans	Cruiser	3,430	25	—	Com. William G. Miller
Pampanga	Gunboat	243	8	—	Lt. George O. Pogram
Porpoise	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign L. O. Van de Carr
Quips	Gunboat	—	—	—	Lt. J. W. Schoenfeld
Rainbow	Cruiser	6,200	14	—	Lt. Comdr. A. N. Mitchell
Samar	Gunboat	242	8	250	Ensign N. H. Goss
Saratoga	Protected cruiser	8,150	25	7,075	Comdr. Joseph L. Jayne
Shark	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign Hedy M. Jensen
Walloobos	Gunboat	370	9	500	Lt. W. L. Friedell
Wilmington	Gunboat	1,397	20	1,894	Comdr. W. A. Edgar
* Flagship of Rear-Adm. John Hubbard, Commander-in-Chief U.S. Asiatic Fleet.					

GERMAN.					
Name	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.	Commander
Emden	Cruiser	3,600	22	13,500	Capt. v. Restorff
Gneissau	Armoured cruiser	11,000	36	26,000	Captain v. Ussler
Ilis	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. v. Gohren
Jaguar	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. Varselov
Leipzig	Cruiser	3,250	24	11,000	Capt. Behncke
Luchs	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. Bendemann
Nurnburg	Cruiser	3,400	22	13,200	Capt. Morabarger
Oster	River gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Jantzen
Scharnhorst	Flagship	11,000	36	26,000	Capt. Roising
S. 89	Torpedo-boat	400	8	6,500	Capt. Lt. Berenberg
Taku	Torpedo-boat	280	4	6,000	Obt. z. S. Claussen
Tiger	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. Luppe
Taigaku	River gunboat	223	4	1,300	Capt. Lt. Frhr. Firoks
Vaterland	River gunboat	223	4	500	Obt. z. S. Prinz

FRENCH.					
Name	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.	Commander
Dupleix	Armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000	—
Kleber	1st class cruiser	9,700	12	10,000	—
Decade	Gunboat	945	10	1,000	Lt. de Linares
Argus	River gunboat	180	0	570	Lt. d'Estienne
Vigilante	Gunboat	123	7	500	Lt. Biscail
Yeha	Gunboat	130	—	—	Lt. Puch
Esturgeon	Submarine	—	—	—	Lt. Combot
Lynx	Submarine	—	—	—	Lt. Marrs
Perle	Submarine	500	—	—	Lt. Morris
Protos	Submarine	—	—	—	Lt. Seriot
Styx	Armoured gunboat	1,708	10	1,700	—
Decade	Destroyer	350	7	303	—
d'Alville	Destroyer	—	—	—	—
Takou	Destroyer	250	9	—	Comdr. Mortenol
Placot	Destroyer	130	7	300	Lt. de la R. Kerandron
Mousquet	Destroyer	307	6	300	—
Vanben	Torpedo-depot	—	—	—	Lt. Bihel
Veteran	Torpedo-depot	—	—	—	—
Manche	Surveying ship	1,025	10	0,000	Com. Ragot de Toniffe
* Flagship of Rear-Adm. Colloch de Kerillis, Commander-in-Chief the French China Station.					
* Flagship of Commdore Boucaut, Commanding the local defence Indo-China.					

PORTUGUESE.					
Name	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.	Commander
Macedo	Gunboat	100	—	—	Capt. Martins
Macedo	Gunboat	100	—	—	Capt. J. Milhet

MARKET PRICES.

Hongkong, April 5, 1912.

BUTCHER MEAT.

Meat	Price
Beef Sirloin & Prime Out, — Moi Lung Pa	lb. 20
" Corned, — Ham Ngau Yuk	20
" Roast, — Shiu	20
" Breast, — Ngau Lam	15
" Soup, — Tong Yuk	15
" Steak, — Ngau Yuk Pa	20
" do. — Sirloin Ootom — Ngau Lau	30
" Sausages, — Ngau Ching	24
Bullock's Brains, — Know	per set 9
" Tongue fresh, — Ngau Li	each 45
" corned, — Ham Ngau Li	60
" Head, — Ngau Tan	0
" Heart, — Ngau Sam	12
" Pump, Silt, — Ngau Kin	18
" Feet, — Ngau Kaak	9
" Kidneys, — Ngau Yiu	9
" Tail, — Ngau Moi	18
" Liver, — Ngau Kon	lb. 12
" Tripe (undressed), — Ngau To	6
Calve Head & Feet, — Ngau-chai-tau-kark	set \$1
Mutton Chop, — Yeung Pei Kwat	lb. 22
" Leg, — Yeung Pei	22
" Sh. ulder, — Yeung Shau	20
Pigs Chitlings, — Chu Chong	22
" Brains, — Chu Know	per set 24
" Feet, — Chu Kark	lb. 12
" Fry, — Chu Chik	25
" Head, — Chu Tau	15
" Heart, — Chu Sum	each 13
" Kidneys, — Chu Yiu	9
" Liver, — Chu Con	lb. 30
Pork, Chop, — Chu Pai Kwat	20
" Corned, — Ham Chu Yuk	24
" Leg, — Chu Pei	24
" Fat or Lard, — Chu Yau	15
Sheep Head and Feet, — Yeung Tau Kark	set 50
" Heart, — Yeung Sum	each 6
" Kidneys, — Yeung Yiu	9
" Liver, — Yeung Con	1 24
Sucking Pigs, To Order, — Chu Chai	22
Suet, Beef, — Sang Ngau Yau	20
" Mutton, — Sang Yeung Yau	22
Veal, — Ngau Chai Yuk	20
" Sausages, — Ngau Chai Ching	20

POULTRY.

Poultry	Price
Chicken, — Kai Chai	lb 30
Capons, Large, Small, — Sin Kai	30
Ducks, — Ap	30
Doves, — Pan Kau	each 30
Eggs, Hen, — Kai Tan	per doz 24
Fowls, Canton, — Kai	lb 33
" Hainan, — Hoi Nam Kai	28
Geese, — Ngai	25
Geese, Wild, — Shung-ho Yea Ngai	pair
Musk Deer, — Wong Keng	each
Hare, Shanghai, — Tu Chai	—
" Partridge, — Ohe Khoo	—
Pheasant, — Shan Kai	pair \$ 1
Pigeons, Canton, — Pak Kup	each 30
" Hoibow, — Hoi How Pak Kup	25
Quail, — Um Chun	20
Rice Birds, — Wo Fa Cheul	dozen
Snipe, — Sa Choy	each 20
Turkeys, — Phor Kai Kung	lb. 51
" Hen, — Na	05
Wild Ducks, — Shai — Shang hot Sui Ap	—
Teal, — Sui Ap Chai	—
Wild Ducks Canton, — Sang Shing Sui Ap	—

FISH.

Fish	Price
Barbel, — Ka Yu	lb 9
Bream, — Bin Yu	10
Canton Fresh Water Fish, — Hoi Sin Yu	10
Carp, — Li Yu	22
Catfish, — Chik Yu	18
Codfish, — Mun Yu	18
Crabs, — Hui	20
Cuttle Fish, — Muk Yu	15
Dab, — Sa Mang Yu	14
Dace, — Wong Moi Lun	11
Dog Fish, — Tit Tu Sa	8
Eels, Congor, — Hoi Mana	15
" Fresh water, — Tam Sin Yu	16
Eels, Yellow, — Wong Sin	28
Frogs, — Tien Kai	32
Garoupa, — Sak Pan	52
Gudgeon, — Pak Kup Yu	12
Harrings, — Tao Pak	20
Halibut, — Cheung Kwan Kup	20
Labrus, — Wong Fa Yu	16
Loach, — Wu Yu	28
Loaches, — Lung He	20
Mackerel, — Chi Yu	24
Monk Fish, — Mong Yu	28
Mullet, — Chai Yu	15
Oysters, — Sang Hoo	20
Parrotfish, — Kai Kung Yu	16
Perch, — Tau Loo	15
Pike, — Fa Paw Poong	8
Plaice, — Pan Yu	18
Pomfret, Black, — Hak Chong	22
Pomfret, White, — Pak Chong	25
Prawn, — Ming He	62
Ray, — Tai Pa Se	8
Rock Fish, — Sak Ka Kung	15
Sardines, — Kai Yu Yu	lb. 4

肉食

Meat	Price
Shark, — Sa Yu	0
Skate, — Po Yu	10
Shrimps, — Ha	22
Snapper, — Lap Yu	24
Soles, — Tai Sa Yu	18
Tench, — Wan Yu	18
Turbot, — Cho How Yu	20
Turtles, small, fresh water, — Kork Yu	57
White Bat, — Ngau Yu Chai	—

FRUITS.

Fruit	Price
Almonds, — Hung Yau	lb. 25
Apples (California), — Kum San Ping Kho	15
" (Chetop), — Tin Chun Ping Kho	—
" Small, — Hoi Tong	—
" Custard, — Fan Lai Chi	each
Bananas, fragrant, Canton, — San Shing Hwang Chiu	lb. 4
" (brides), — Macao, — San Hwang Chiu	—
Chestnuts, Chinese, — Foong Lut	15
Carambola, — Yeung Yue	—
Cocoanuts, — Yeh Tse	each 12
Lemons, China, — Ning Moong	10
" American, — Kum San Ning Moon	0
Lichees Dried, — Lai Chi, small Stone	b 25
" Fresh	—
Limes, (Sugon), — ai Kung Ning Moong	each 10
Mango, Manila, — Lai Sung Mong	14
Mangosteens, — San Chuk Tse	doz
Oranges, (Canton), — Sun-shing Tim Ching	lb. 8
" Sweet	15
Pears, (American), — Kum San Shoi Lay	—
" (Canton), Cooking, — Sa Lay	12
Peanuts, — Fa Sang	10
Persimmons Large, — Hung Chi	—
Pine-apples, 1st quality, — Poon Ti Paw Law	each
" 2nd	—
Plantain, — Tai Chou	lb
Plums, — Swatow, Hung Lai	—
Pumelo, — Chim Lo Yau	each 14
" Shanghai, — Lo Kwat	—
Walnuts, — Hop Tuo	lb 15
" Green, — Sang Hop Tuo	—
Water Melon, — (Am.) Kom San Sai Kwa	each
" (China) Sai Kwa	—
Grapes, — Sang Po Tai Tse	lb

VEGETABLES, &c.

Vegetable	Price
Artichokes, Shanghai, — Sheung-loi Ah Chi	lb 8
Chouk	—
Beans, (French), — Oh Moou Pin Tau	0
" (French) Shanghai, — Sheung Hai Pin	—
" Sprout, — Ah Chio	3
" Long, — Tau Ko	—
Beet Root, — Hung Chai Tau	each 2
Brinjals, Green, — Ching Yuan	6
" Red, — Hung Ker	5
Cabbage, Chinese, com, — Kai Choy	8
Cabbage Red, — Hung Yea Choy	12
Cabbage, Shanghai, — Yeh Chai	—
Cane Shoots, bunch, — Kau Shun	lb
Cauliflower, Large size, — Tai Yeh Chio Fa	each
" Medium size, — Cheung Yeh Chio Fa	—

SPORT.

A Very Busy Week.

NOTES ON OLYMPIA

By Xaverian.

From a sporting point of view the past week has been a very busy one and included the V.R.C. annual sports on Saturday last, the C.Y.C. closing cruise on Sunday, to which I was invited and which I thoroughly enjoyed, (those Corinthians know how to do things thoroughly) and the Schools sports on Monday, carried over from the Saturday.

Dealing with the items in order I must first write about the V.R.C. function. I was rather surprised to find that fields were poor and I gathered from a conversation with some of the officials that there had been a very unsportsmanlike tendency on the part of many local athletes to run only in events where they felt certain they had the best of the handicap and a prize was practically a sure thing. This is lamentable and those guilty of such conduct should think twice before stepping on the turf again.

A Dark Horse.

How difficult was the state of affairs in the case of Wilson who ran his first race at these very sports. Now Wilson is not a young man with a record at home that handicappers need fear, but naturally enough when he entered for the half-mile and mile events he was taken good care of. As the half-mile race was run he was harshly handicapped and though not being in any way favoured in the mile he managed to secure a second after a good race. He is a runner with enviable stamina and the fact that his heart is in the right place will cause his future opponents considerable trouble. I wish the Yorkshireman every success. I am told he is preparing for the B. O. C. sports and if that is so, he will have a further opportunity of showing his prowess as a sportsman never fears even formidable odds.

I intended to deal with Castro's 10.2.5 achievement but next week I will deal with his performances at length.

The Schools Sports.

The Schools sports were a great success and some good times were put up by the youngsters. It was a great task for the teachers to arrange the numerous heats and to control the eliminating trials so successfully. The success of the sports is surely sufficient gratification for the hard work they were responsible for.

OLYMPIC PREPARATIONS.

On a final look over the "Blues" struggle at Queen's Club, one can see that the performances collectively were very fine indeed. Those who saw Macmillan's "quarter" will remember it for many a long day. The time officially given was 49.2.5sec, but that it was even better than this is known by a few. Three leading timekeepers unofficially made it very little worse than 49 sec. It was a very brilliant piece of running. A. N. Jackson, too, will yet improve on his fine 4.21 mile. He is very young yet, and it is pretty certain that he will get inside 4.20 before he leaves Oxford. H. S. O. Ashington is a typical jumper. If he decides to keep in training now for the Olympic Games he should touch record figures. He is a beautiful jumper in every sense of the word. J. Baker again gave a

great half-mile. That final burst of his was something to be remembered. Now that he leaves Cambridge to enter upon political life he will be missed tremendously, for he has done extraordinary work to revive athletic interest there.

The response to Lord Alverstone's appeal for funds has been decidedly poor. In six weeks only £103 has been collected. It seems certain that nothing like £500 will be forthcoming by April 1. What a striking contrast such a condition of affairs in this country is to that on the Continent and in America. The latter are fast getting together £10,000, whilst several thousands have been collected quite easily on the Continent. Our Olympic Council are strictly against appealing for a Government grant. In my opinion it is very necessary to cover the expenses question in a proper manner. They will not, however, entertain the idea. It seems that the A.A.A. have now a splendid opportunity of spending some of their wealth in a most desirable way.

By the way, the Marathon course has, after all, been decided upon publicly. It will be an out and home course, Nandpunkt being the turning point, and the distance about 25 miles. It is rather a picturesque course, but whether the competitors will be able to appreciate the scenery going along is doubtful. Towards the finish of the course it will be rather trying on account of several hills to climb, and stamina is likely to be tested to the full.

HOME SPORT.

Golf.

Colonel Lord Algernon Gordon Lennox has been nominated for the captaincy of Bye Club for the ensuing year.

In the annual report of the Bye Club it is pointed out that the green expenses have been largely increased by the damage done to the course by the abnormally dry summer. It has been necessary to re-turf the eighth green and also many of the teeing grounds.

Walton Heath Club have started an employment register for their caddies, which is open to the members who have been circled on the subject. The register has been started for about a month, with the result that employment has been secured for nine caddies. During the same period three more caddies have become candidates for the Royal Navy.

At the West End Golf School, Windmill House, Piccadilly-circus, ample provision has been made for practising every kind of stroke. The school is open to both ladies and gentlemen. W. M. Watson, the old Aston professional, carried out the work, and R. F. Walker, of Rochford, J. Tickle of North Hants, and H. Kidd, of Malone, have been appointed instructors.

The committee of the Fulwell Club, in order to encourage the caddies in their employ to join the Territorials, have decided to offer a bounty of £1 a year to each caddy of 17 years and upwards on the regular list who joins the Twickenham Company of the 8th Battalion of the Middlesex Regt. and goes to camp for a fortnight. This is in pursuance of a suggestion recently made by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, which has been adopted by the Crowborough Club with marked success.

It has been arranged to hold the first meeting of the Golf Greenkeepers' Association at Bushey on Thursday, May 23.

Invitations to take part in a professional tournament at Monte Carlo in the third week of April have been accepted by Harry Vardon, the Open champion, James Braid, J. H. Taylor, and Arnaud Massy. They will be joined by B. Skyles, the old Minchinhampton player, who is now the resident professional at Monte Carlo.

Playing at Sundridge Park, Mr. R. H. Dillon did the 17th hole—128 yards—in one stroke.

POST OFFICE.

Only fully prepaid letters and post-cards are transmissible by the Siberian Route to Europe. Letters for this route should be superscribed via Siberia.

The Parcel Post system to the following places in China is for the present suspended:—Hupei, Hunan and Tennyueh.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left	Due
London	Shanghai
April 6th	April 23rd
April 10th	April 26th

MAILS DUE.

American, Mongolia, 7th prox.
Siberian, Indo Manu, 20th last.

MAILS CLOS.

Huihow and "Alphonse"—Per Johanne, 27th April, 8 a.m.
Timor, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand—Per St. Albans, 27th April 10 a.m.
Straits and India via Calcutta—Per Namsang, 27th April, 10 a.m.

Straits, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, India, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi. Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents. (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, 26th April, at 5 p.m.—Per Assaye, 27th April 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Longa, 27th April, 1 p.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 27th April, 1.15 p.m.

Weihaiwei and Tientsin—Per Huihow, 27th April, 3 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Kwongsang, 27th April, 5 p.m.

Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per Anhui, 27th April, 6 p.m.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 28th April, 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa—Per Daijun-mara, 28th April, 9 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 29th April, 1.15 p.m.

Straits and Burmah—Per Mullra, 29th April, 5 p.m.

Japan via Kobe—Per Kamsang, 30th April, 10 a.m.

Swatow—Per Cheongshing, 30th April, 10 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Weihai, 30th April, 10 a.m.

Philippine Islands, Straits, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, India, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Naples. (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) Late Letters 11 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. Extra postage 10 cents.—Per Kleist, 30th April, 11 a.m.

Swatow—Per Sui Tai, 30th April, 1.15 p.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Taming, 30th April, 3 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa—Per Haimun, 1st May, 10 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per Rubi, 1st May, 3 p.m.

Japan via Yokohama—Per Fukuoka, 2nd May, 11 a.m.

Amoy and Formosa—Per Tjinali, 2nd May, 11 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Chusan, 2nd May, 3 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy, Formosa and Fowoo—Per Haimun, 3rd May, 10 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy, Formosa and Fowoo—Per Tjinali, 3rd May, 11 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy, Formosa and Fowoo—Per Tjinali, 3rd May, 11 a.m.

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Swatow, Amoy, Formosa and Fowoo—Per Tjinali, 3rd May, 11 a.m.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles. (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) Late Letters 11.00 a.m. to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.—Per Ville de la Ciotat, 7th May, 11 a.m.

VESSELS IN PORT

Steamers.

Arabian, Swed. s.s., 3,004, C. Van Dene, 24th April—Moji 18th April, Gen.—M. & Co.
Cambrie, Br. s.s., Sleiton, 14th April—New Port 15th Feb., Coal.—B. & Co.

Chengmuel, Ger. s.s., 1,080, H. Olden, 25th April—Bangkok 12th April, Gen.—M. & Co.

Chiyu Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,942, W. W. Greene, 24th April—San Francisco 27th Mar., Mail and Gen.—T. K. K.

Dakota, Br. s.s., 3,295, W. A. Ross, 24th April—Salmon 20th April, Ballast.—S. O. Co.

Daijin Maru, Jap. s.s., 899, D. Nishigami, 24th April—Swatow 23rd April, Gen.—O. S. K.

Er-ikon, Nor. s.s., 1,877, Angeman, 24th April—Oant n 23rd April, Ballast.—Order.

Glenegle, Br. s.s., 2,339, Graves, 23rd April—Rangoon and Manila 21st April—Seang Tai Hong.

Kinkiang, Br. s.s., 1,228, Robertson, 25th April—Cant n 24th April, Gen.—B. & S.

Locksaw, Ger. s.s., 1,657, W. Taubert, 20th April—Bangkok and Saigon 18th April, Rice.—B. & S.

Loong Sang, Br. s.s., 1,059, Loock, 2nd April—Manila 20th April, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Manchuria, Am. s.s., 8,750, A. Dixon, 20th April—San Francisco 21st Mar., Mail and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.

Marie, Ger. s.s., 1,169, Schlaikin, 20th April—Saigon 16th April, Gen.—J. & Co.

Minnesota, Am. s.s., 13,223, T. W. Garlick, 21st April—Seattle 16th Mar., and Manila 18th April, Gen.—N. Y. K.

Namsang, Br. s.s., 2,591, P. M. B. Lake, 21st April—Voi 16th April, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Panama Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,767, Kanno, 22nd April—Shanghai 19th April, Gen.—O. S. K.

Petohaburi, Br. s.s., 1,378, C. Goscwicz, 25th April—Bangkok 17th April, Rice.—B. & S.

Pheunphah, Br. s.s., 1,065, Jas. H. Scott, 23rd April—Saigon 19th April, Gen.—W. Fat Sing.

Pongtong, Br. s.s., 998, W. Botehr, 20th April—Bangkok 16th April, Rice.—B. & S.

Quinta, Ger. s.s., 900, F. Schlegler, 22nd April—Bangkok and Swatow 21st April, Rice.—S. & Co.

St. Albans, Br. s.s., 4,119, W. G. McArthur, 24th April—Kobe via Moji 20th April, Gen.—G. L. & Co.

Too Sui, Br. s.s., 981, P. N. Marcus, 19th April—Bangkok 10th April, Rice.—A. Buno.

Volut, Br. s.s., 2,395, Wilton, 14th April—Tientsin 7th April, Bulk oil.—A. P. & Co.

Walton H. H., Br. s.s., 3,203, Fraser, 25th April—New York 2nd Mar., Gen.—S. T. & Co.

Wong Koi, Ger. s.s., 1,115, H. Oltmann, 21st April—Singapore and Saigon 18th April Rce.—B. & S.

SHIPS PASSED THE CANAL.

19th March—Glenstrae, Erzherzog Franz Ferdinand, Moynan, Pelawar, Miyaki Maru, Yang Tzen. 22nd March—Cedinas, Pathan. 26th March—Tenedi, Dorpe, El Hout, Peking, Priam, Kawachi Maru, Scandia. 29th March—Bellomphon, Dion, Luthland, Prinz Eitel Friedrich, Prinz Ludwig, Satauma, Yarra. 2nd April—Invincible, Kitano Maru, Nile, Patroclus, Sincor, Teneor, Rheims. 9th April—Aki Maru, Ambriz, Bayern, Glaneck, Hysen, Indramayo, Persous, Seneca, Spezia, Syria, India. 12th April—Benvorlich, Bulow, Ernest Simon, Karanga, Molman, Yorok, Africa. 16th April—Iyo Maru, Annara, Atrous, Protheus, Badenis, Kioa, Benlarig, Doublebaitre, Memmo, Nora, Pers, T. urane. 23rd April—Bangkok, Bonmond, Dard-nus, Glanorganshire, Jason, Pakling, Patricia, Pelous, Providence, Zlatimir.

Arrival at Home—19th March—Ajax, Segovia. 22nd March—Tango Maru, Wilhelmnia. 26th March—Atholl, L. 4th, Samba, Lovat. 28th March—Benoloch, Derflinger, Ernest Simon, Idomenes, Saxonia, Silecia, Thessa. 4th April—Boothia. 9th April—Aragonia, Dumbas, Persia, Kamo Maru, P. E. Friedrich. 19th April—Petrolos, Siam, Teneor, Rheims. 16th April—Ambriz, Aki Maru, Yorok. 23rd April—Invincible, Spezia, Africa.

SHIPPING NEWS.

The s.s. Rubi left Manila this morning, the 26th inst., and is due here on or about Sunday, 28th inst., p.m.

The I. G. M. s.s. Coblenz left Yap on Tuesday, the 26th inst., at 8 a.m. and may be expected here on or about the 3rd prox.

The N. Y. K. s.s. Nikko Maru left Thursday Island for this port via Manila on the 25th inst., and is expected here on 6th prox.

The H. A. L. s.s. Andalusia left Singapore on the 25th inst., a.m. and may be expected here on or about the 1st prox., a.m.

The O. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Empress of India arrived at Nagasaki at 10 a.m. on Thursday, the 25th inst., and left again at 8 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she is due to arrive to-day, the 26th inst., at 9 p.m.

ARRIVED.

Monmouth, Br. steamer, 9,800, B. H. F. Bartel, 25th April—Singapore 20th April.

Haimun, Br. s.s., 641, A. H. Stewart, 26th April—Swatow 26th April, Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Kamsang, Br. s.s., 2,077, F. Wheeler, 26th April—Calcutta and Singapore 2nd April, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Taming, Br. s.s., 1,310, G. H. Penn-father, 26th April—Manila 23rd April, Sugar and Gen.—B. & S.

Kwongsang, Br. s.s., 1,428, Richard, 26th April—Canton 25th April, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Cheongshing, Br. s.s., 1,259, Liddell, 26th April—Cant n 25th April, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Assaye, Br. s.s., 4,359, G. W. Cock-mann, a.m., 26th April—Shanghai 23rd April, Mail and Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Hunan, Br. s.s., 1,200, Speed, 26th April—Nanchang, etc., 20th April, Gen.—B. & S.

Hanoi, Fr. s.s., 788, G. Boulter, 26th April—Haiphong via Pakhoi 24th April, Gen.—A. R. Marty.

Mathilde, Ger. s.s., 831, Ulderup, 26th April—Haiphong and Huihow 25th April, Gen.—J. & Co.

Sosui Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,119, K. Sukawa, 26th April—Swatow 25th April, Gen.—O. S. K.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Ichia, for Singapore.

Haiyang, for Swatow.

Chiao Sun, for Canton.

Walton, Hall, for Shanghai.

Kinkiang, for Tientsin.

Sosui-maru, for Canton.

DEPARTED.

April 26.

Haiyang, for Foochow.

Waihing, for Canton.

Huihow, for Canton.

Aahai, for Canton.

Childar, for Canton.

Singon, for Haiphong.

E. F. Ferdinand, for Yokohama.

Rajshuri, for Swatow.

Ichia, for Bombay.

Michael Jensen, for Dale.

Tijlwing, for Batavia.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

For s.s. Kitano Maru, sailed on 25th April, for Japan:—

Amatsugi, Jose Munk, B. Barlow, Mi s Mo to, Mr. and Baron, Miss Mrs. M. N. Bol, H. G. Ma tad Okaka, Miss Ch'ozaki Engo, Miss Fun lan-sing Grievs, Miss Rin, J. Gregory, Comdr. & Shimizu, K. Mrs. Sendee Spator, Lt. P. W. Gibb, Miss Spator, Major U. Gibb, L. Tatsumi, Mr. and Mrs. Ito Mrs. Toyoda Hosono, Lt. Col. Vidouzeaga Vauera, D. Hong Jong Kobayashi, Miss Wong Yuk-nam Kuwakami Wasefall, H. Longmire, Mr. and Wrigley, Mrs. Mrs. Yoshii, Capt. Lyndon, Mrs. Yauada Longmire, Miss Yoshida, H. B. Man'io Minister

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SHANGHAI, via	SVRIA	About	Freight and Passage
MOH, KOE & YOKOHAMA	Capt. R. A. Peters	8th May	

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